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**Section I:**  
**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.121 to the**  
**CLAIMS**

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Claims 1 - 9 (canceled).

Claim 10 (previously presented):

A method for managing sender address information in a chain forwarded electronic mail message in an electronic messaging system, said sender address information having a plurality of previous sender addresses, said electronic mail message having a header section and a body section, said header section containing fields indicating the sender address of a most recent sender of an electronic mail message, said body section containing a forwarded message and fields indicating chain sender addresses of senders prior to said most recent sender of an electronic mail message, said electronic messaging system having a user display and a user interface for receiving commands and input from a user, said method comprising the steps of:

searching said body section of said electronic mail message for said chain sender addresses of senders having sent said message prior to said most recent sender; and

adding a Sender-chain field to an electronic mail message header section when forwarding the chain forwarded electronic mail message to another recipient, said Sender-chain field being associated with a list of chain sender addresses found during the step of searching the body section and being associated with the address of the most recent sender's address.

Claim 11 (previously presented):

The method as set forth in Claim 10 wherein said step of searching the body section further comprises searching a Simple Mail Transfer Protocol message.

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Claim 12 (previously presented):

The method as set forth in Claim 10 wherein said step of adding a chain sender field further comprises adding a Sender-chain field to a Simple Mail Transfer Protocol message.

Claims 13 - 21 (canceled).

Claim 22 (previously presented):

A computer-readable media containing computer program code for managing sender address information in a chain forwarded electronic mail message in an electronic messaging system, said sender address information having a plurality of previous sender addresses, said electronic mail message having a header section and a body section, said header section containing fields indicating the sender address of a most recent sender of an electronic mail message, said body section containing a forwarded message and fields indicating chain sender addresses of senders prior to said most recent sender of an electronic mail message, said electronic messaging system having a user display and a user interface for receiving commands and input from a user, and said electronic message system having a processor for executing computer program code such that when said computer program code executed by said processor, said electronic message system performs the steps of:

searching said body section of said electronic mail message for said one or more chain sender addresses of senders having sent said message prior to said most recent sender; and

adding a Sender-Chain field to an electronic mail message header section when forwarding the chain forwarded electronic mail message to another recipient, said Sender-Chain field being associated with a list of chain sender addresses found during the step of searching the body section and being associated with the address of the most recent sender.

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**Claim 23 (previously presented):**

The computer-readable media as set forth in Claim 22 wherein said computer program code for performing the step of searching the body section comprises computer program code for searching a Simple Mail Transfer Protocol message.

**Claim 24 (previously presented):**

The computer-readable media as set forth in Claim 22 wherein said computer program code for performing the step of adding a Sender-Chain field further comprises computer program code for adding a Sender-Chain field to a Simple Mail Transfer Protocol message.

**Claims 25 - 31 (canceled).**